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24. (New) The peptide of claim 23, wherein said peptide is generated by chemical cleavage.
25. (New) The peptide of claim 23, wherein said peptide is expressed from a recombinant DNA.
26. (New) The peptide of claim 23, wherein said peptide is generated by chemical synthesis.
27. (New) A method for detecting antibodies to HIV and neutralizing antibodies to HIVgp120 in an immunoassay by using the peptide of claim 23 as an immunosorbent.
28. (New) A method of eliciting neutralizing antibodies to HIV in a mammal by introducing into a mammal the peptide of claim 23.

REMARKS

Applicants have filed this divisional application to pursue nonelected claims from the parent application. Applicants request that the Examiner consider this application and examine these claims.

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